

Practitioner's Docket No.: 811_107

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Makoto IWAI, Katsuhiro IMAI and Minoru IMAEDA

Ser. No.: 10/594,846 Group Art Unit: 1714

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For: GALLIUM NITRIDE SINGLE CRYSTAL GROWING METHOD AND GALLIUM
NITRIDE SINGLE CRYSTAL

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Commissioner for Patents
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 27, 2011, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record based on the following arguments. Claims 1, 4-6, 11, 13 and 14 are pending herein and are allowable for the reasons explained below.

Examiner Song is thanked for courtesies extended to Applicants' undersigned representative during a telephonic interview on September 21, 2011. The substance of that interview has been incorporated into the following remarks.

1. Claims 1, 4 and 14 were rejected under §102(e) over Sasaki (US 2006/0051942).
Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.